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SENATE MEMORIAL 39

48TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2008

INTRODUCED BY

Pete Campos

A MEMORIAL

RECOGNIZING THE LAS VEGAS POLICE DEPARTMENT AND DECLARING
FRIDAY, MARCH 7, 2008, "PUBLIC SAFETY FIRST DAY" AT THE SENATE.

WHEREAS, throughout American history, public schools have helped to democratize our nation, strengthen our communities and widen opportunities for our people; and

WHEREAS, educators, support personnel and others in the educational system deserve our full support; and

WHEREAS, citizens, parents, school officials, police officers, business representatives and behind-the-scenes educational supporters and workers fill many roles as listeners, explorers, role models, motivators and mentors; and

WHEREAS, sweeping new federal legislation will require our schools and educators to do more than ever before; and

WHEREAS, recent financial difficulties facing the state of

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1 New Mexico are requiring many agencies, including schools, to
2 do more with less; and

3 WHEREAS, Las Vegas residents must all answer the call to
4 action and provide leadership for the educational well-being of
5 Las Vegas youth so that the outstanding performance of Las
6 Vegas students will continue to improve; and

7 WHEREAS, it is appropriate that New Mexico take the time
8 to recognize the important and vital role that citizens play in
9 the personal and academic development of our children; and

10 WHEREAS, Las Vegas police strive for excellence and work
11 to improve our community and all school districts; and

12 WHEREAS, the members of the Las Vegas police department
13 unceasingly provide a vital public service to all citizens in
14 and around Las Vegas; and

15 WHEREAS, all citizens, businesses and surrounding
16 communities recognize the week of March 7, which has been
17 designated as public safety week; and

18 WHEREAS, the DWI council, the Main Street committee, Alta
19 Vista regional hospital, the bank of Las Vegas, the First
20 National bank, Chief Gary Gold and Deputy Chief Christian
21 Montano of the Las Vegas city police, all dispatchers of the
22 Las Vegas city police, Beatrice Sena and her staff at the
23 information division, President Juan Montano with the Las Vegas
24 police officers association, City of Las Vegas Mayor Henry O.
25 Sanchez, Las Vegas City Manager John Avila, Las Vegas council

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1 members Michael Gallegos, Diane Moore, Eugene Romero, Cruz
2 Roybal, Louie Trujillo, Morris Madrid, Macario Gonzales and
3 Tony E. Marquez, Jr., West Las Vegas Superintendent Mike Abreu,
4 Las Vegas city schools superintendent, Senator Pete Campos,
5 Representative Thomas A. Garcia and Representative Richard D.
6 Vigil are joining in to commemorate public safety week;

7 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE
8 OF NEW MEXICO that it recognize and express appreciation to the
9 Las Vegas police officers, past and present, who, by their
10 faithful and loyal devotion to their responsibilities, have
11 rendered a dedicated service to their community and, in so
12 doing, have established for themselves an enviable and enduring
13 reputation for preserving the rights and security of all
14 citizens and students; and

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Friday, March 7, 2008, be
16 declared "Public Safety First Day" at the senate; and

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this memorial be
18 transmitted to Officer Shawn Montoya of the Las Vegas police
19 department.

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